REMARKS

In the event that there are any questions concerning this amendment, or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone undersigned Attorney so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

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6. (Amended) A photonic crystal fibre as claimed in [any of claims 1 to 5] claim 1, in which the core includes a hole.